Kaera language

Kaera is a Papuan language spoken on the northeastern coast of Pantar island in the Alor archipelago of Indonesia. It belongs to the Timor-Alor-Pantar language family. Kaera is used alongside Indonesian in religious contexts, but Kaera is not used in education.

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Kaera	
Native to	Indonesia
Region	Pantar Island
Native speakers	5,500 (2014)[1]
Language family	Trans–New Guinea ?
	• West Bomberai ?
	• Timor–Alor–Pantar
	• Alor–Pantar
	• **Kaera**
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	`jka`
Glottolog	`kaer1234` (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/kaer1234)[2]

Phonology

All the information in this section is from Klamer's sketch grammar.[3]

Consonants

Consonant phonemes

	Labial		Alveolar		Palatal	Velar		Glottal
Plosive	p	b	t	d		k	g	
Fricative			s			x		(h)
Nasal	m		n			ŋ		
Trill			r					
Lateral approximant			l					
Approximant	w				j			

Vowels

Monophthong phonemes

	Front	Central	Back
Close	i • iː		u • uː
Mid	ɛ • ɛː		ɔ • ɔː
Open		a • aː	

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External links

- Kaera Abangiwang Collection (https://hdl.handle.net/1839/e21f8da0-eba8-461c-aaaa-d4f568f1 6675) at The Language Archive